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SUBJECT: CONGRATULATORY MESSAGE FROM THE CROWN PRINCE TO
PRESIDENT BUSH ON HIS RE-ELECTION

On November 3, Post received from the office of Crown Prince
Shaikh Salman bin Hamad Al-Khalifa, the following message to
President Bush on his re-election as President of the United
States of America.

Begin text of letter:

03rd November 2004

The Hon. George W. Bush
President of the United States of America
Washington, D.C.

Dear Mr. President,

Please accept my sincere congratulations upon your
inauguration as the 43rd President of the United States of
America. I have no doubt that your second term of office
will be one of further success, progress and prosperity for
the friendly United States and its people.

I also look forward to further strengthening of the close and
historic links between the Kingdom of Bahrain and the United
States during your Presidency, based on the existing ties of
friendship, cooperation and trust. I have no doubt that such
continued coordination and cooperation between Bahrain and
the United States will benefit both countries and their
friendly peoples, as well as serving the cause of regional
security and stability.

Finally, may I congratulate you once again, and assure you of
Bahrain's continued friendship and steadfast support for the
United States of America.

Salman Bin Hamad Al-Khalifa
Crown Prince and Commander-in-Chief
of the Bahrain Defence Force

End text of letter.

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